



~~~~~North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild~~~~~  
September 2017 Newsletter

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President's Message

Our Official Quilt & Wilt was a huge success. Paula's daughter Leigh Ann brought Paula's stash along with many quilting notions that could be purchased for an extremely minimal amount. Others brought treasures from their sewing closets that they realized they were not ever going to use and offered them for sale. After all the shopping, we returned to our machines and started working on projects only to be distracted by someone else's project and having to go see what they are doing - which leads to a conversation about something else. It is like the story about going out to the mailbox and along the way



The tables of Paula's stash on display - lots of activity here throughout the morning as people browsed and shopped. That is Leigh Ann in the black shirt.

An enjoyable day was had by all who attended. So, I am looking forward to the **Upcoming Unofficial Quilt & Wllts:**
September 23, October 28, and November 18.

Hope you can join in the fun.

David Sirota will be presenting a program at our next Guild Meeting ~
September 5. Followed by his Workshop on **Wednesday ~ September 6.**

**Important reminder for those of you participating in the workshop ~
please have your fabric pieces cut !!**

******** **Kathy Friel** revealed her plans for our **Community Service Project:**
lap robes for Southwestern Vets. The requested size is **33" x 41"**.
We will make the RW&B fabric purchased by the Guild last year available for
this project. But you can improvise your own designs.

******** **The dates for this year's meetings are as follows: Sept 5, Oct 3, Nov 7,**
Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, and May 3.
Mark your calendar for a year of quilting excitement!!!

******** As is the tradition, the Board Members are responsible for providing "**Fat
Quarter**" goodies for the September Meeting.

I will keep this short and will have lots of information at the September meeting. Enjoy
your Labor Day picnics and gatherings and the nice weather we have been blessed with
here in SW PA.

~~~~ Clarice Sabina

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**Did you know? From Betty Kania, Historian**

That the idea of a Quilting Group came about in April 1981, as 11 women met and  
decided to expand the membership? One year later, they became a formal group  
known as the **North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild.** They adopted By-Laws, elected  
officers, and scheduled regular meetings.  
Two of the original members are still with us, **Dee Cariota and Mary Lou Dunlop.**  
From these 11 women, the membership has grown to well over 100 members.



Do you know anyone in our Guild who has lost a loved one, is sick, or just needs a pick-me-up and/or a reminder that someone cares?  
The Card Lady, aka **Sunshine**, is ready and waiting for information.

**Sylvia Lynn, aka Sunshine, [Sylviaklynn@gmail.com](mailto:Sylviaklynn@gmail.com)**



**Cup and a Quarter**

There will be 4 fabric raffles consisting of eight cups with fat quarters of fabric. These raffles will be in **October, December, February, and April.**

In between, we will have a **50/50 money raffle.**

**Jeannie McCormick - Fund raising**



**2018 Annual Dinner ~~ Plan now for a night to remember!  
set the date June 5, 2018 at the Hartwood Restaurant.**

**Camilla Flower, Susan Merkner, and Ann McCartan**



**Fons and Porter's magazine is once again being offered at the reduced and very attractive rate of \$15.00 a year.  
You must sign up with the Guild - please see our Vice-President - Denise Ludwig - to do so.  
Thanks ~ Denise.**



Sincerest thank you to all the wonderful quilt sisters of NPQG who sent get-well cards, kind thoughts, and encouraging words to me following my recent accident. They certainly lifted my spirits during a tenuous recovery.  
My leg is slowly mending and I look forward to seeing all of you soon.  
Fondly, **Linda Williams**

## \*\*\* Programs \*\*\*

We are looking forward to the **“No More Tears Paper Piecing Workshop”** on **Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.** at **St. John’s Lutheran Church on Cumberland Road.** **With David Sirota.**

We will have a Pot Luck Lunch, Tricia will provide shredded BBQ pork sliders and a case of water. Pleased bring something yummy to share with the group.

**Once again - check your supply list and cut your fabric as specified. Be prepared!**

**Oh my goodness! The month of October is just around the corner. Does that mean we need to start shopping for Halloween candy, too? (It truly is a favorite time to go to Giant Eagle to grab some M&M’s to add to my fabric stash!!!) Nobody said your stash has to be all fabric, did they? I digress....**

**Jacolin Kelso is coming to teach - yay!! She is a certified Judy Niemeyer instructor and will be showing us how to create the Cactus Rose table runner. The Niemeyer technique is very new to many of us but she promises we will master it with her easy-to-grasp instructions. Make it in Fall colors for your Thanksgiving table or Holiday colors and give it as a gorgeous gift !! The workshop will be on October 4 ~ set-up time is 8:45, class begins at 9:00 a.m.**

**The cost is \$40 per student with the purchase of a pattern from her inventory. Once sign-ups are complete I will place an order to her for the Cactus Rose pattern. The workshop will be held at our favorite location ~ St. John’s Church ~ and it will be an all-day event. The supply list will follow soon if by chance you are anxious to gather your basic sewing tools and start planning.**

**This class will be loads of fun and Jacolin will surely keep us all laughing/ giggling and in “stitches”!!**

**I leave you with this thought:**

**You know you are a quilter if your ironing board is ALWAYS set up but - you NEVER iron clothes!!**

**Your Program Peeps ~~ Linda Williams and Tricia McSorley**



Newsletter submitted by Jan Merritt